

# Michigan e-Transcript Initiative Information for Parents



### Overview

This document provides parents/guardians of a high school student a general introduction to the Michigan e-Transcript Initiative and the Docufide Secure Transcript <sup>TM</sup> service offered at the child's school.

# **Michigan e-Transcript Initiative**

The State of Michigan's Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI) has partnered with Docufide, Incorporated to offer the Michigan e-Transcript Initiative. Under this initiative, Docufide supplies electronic transcript exchanges through its Secure Transcript<sup>TM</sup> service. The State of Michigan provides this program to all public and private/independent Michigan high schools and postsecondary institutions at no cost to either the students or the schools. The FERPA-compliant (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act) service allows a student or alumni to send a transcript and other supporting admission documents from his/her high school or college to more than 4,000 other colleges and universities nationwide, as well as to third-party destinations.

### Docufide

Docufide is the leading provider of educational records management services. Its flagship service, Secure Transcript<sup>TM</sup>, manages the ordering, processing and secure delivery of student records for K-12 and postsecondary institutions nationwide. Docufide, Incorporated is headquartered in Los Angeles, California, with representatives throughout the United States.

# Benefits of the Docufide Secure Transcript TM Service

- The request process is streamlined for both current and alumni students.
- All Michigan public universities, community colleges, and several independent colleges have signed up to receive electronic transcripts through this service.
- Transcripts can be requested online 24 hours a day/seven days a week through the school's Web site or the Michigan College Access Portal (MichiganCAP).
- There is no charge to have transcripts sent to participating colleges in Michigan and partner states.
- Students are automatically notified when transcripts are processed and received, reducing anxiety.
- Transcripts are quickly delivered to Michigan and nationwide colleges and scholarship programs.
- Transcripts are processed electronically for your school for delivery to any destination nationwide.

# **How the System Works**

- To send a transcript, a student or alumni goes to the Michigan E-Transcript link on his/her school's Web site or the Michigan College Access Portal (MichiganCAP), completes a one-time five-minute registration and identifies the desired transcript recipient(s).
- The system promptly processes the order and notifies the sending school's administrator of the request via e-mail. The sending school's administrator retrieves the student's transcript from the school's student information system and "prints" it to Docufide's Secure Transcript<sup>TM</sup> printer. Docufide then delivers the transcript to the receiving destination(s) in the acceptable format for the receiving destination.
- The receiving destination is notified via e-mail that a transcript is available for download (if an electronic recipient). The receiving destination's administrator logs into the Docufide system and downloads the transcript. If the receiving destination is not yet an electronic recipient, the transcript is delivered via US mail and instructions are provided for how to become an electronic recipient.
- The requester is notified via e-mail every step of the way: 1) when his/her transcript request is received by Docufide, 2) when the sending school's administrator process the request and 3) when the receiving destination's administrator downloads the transcript.

### **Services Available to Students**

- Transcripts can be requested online 24 hours a day/seven days a week through the school's Web site or the Michigan College Access Portal (MichiganCAP).
- There is no charge to have transcripts sent to participating colleges in Michigan and partner states.
- The database of electronic recipients is searchable and up-to-date. This means that your child does not need to know the address of the receiving destination.
- Your child can still send transcripts to non-registered destinations. However, a fee is applied. This fee needs to be paid via credit card, debit card or cash card (cash cards are available at most local grocery stores and pharmacies). Please consult with your child's school on how to handle fee-generated requests.
- Your child receives e-mail confirmations every step of the way, which eliminates anxiety and the need for follow-up with school staff.
- The Docufide system keeps track of all transcripts your child sends throughout their college and career path.
- Docufide provides your child the opportunity to import their college application ID directly onto their transcript, which enables the receiver to match up incoming documents.
- Your child has the opportunity to request his/her current transcript or the final transcript.
- Your child receives a confirmation of all transcripts requested.
- A Student Tab is available in the Docufide system to enable your child to update his/her information as needed throughout their college and career path.
- The Docufide system provides online training at your child's fingertips to help your child every step of the way when requesting a transcript.

# **Tips**

- Become familiar with the Docufide Secure Transcript<sup>TM</sup> Service. This document provided an overview, but more information is available on the CEPI Web site at www.michigan.gov/cepi.
- Complete the five-minute student online registration with your child. Going through this process will help ensure that the information imported is correct, which will enable Docufide to easily match up your child's online request with the transcript Docufide receives.
- Look for the Welcome Message upon your child's log in. The school has the opportunity to post information regarding procedures specific to the school, such as how to handle fee-generated destinations, why a hold on a transcript may occur and the dates when the staff will not be available to process transcripts.
- Know the school's policy on sending transcripts to fee-generated destinations. This information may appear in the Welcome Message, in the student handbook and/or in the guidance counseling office. Encourage your child to know the policies and how to implement them.
- View the Student Tab feature in the Docufide system with your child. Make sure information is up-to-date and know the procedure for how to change it. If this information is not up-to-date, this may delay transcript processing.
- Complete a transcript request with your child. Make sure he/she becomes familiar with the destination selection buttons, the FERPA agreement acceptance, the fee collection screen (if fees apply) and the confirmation page. Selecting "Other Destination" when the destination already appears in Docufide's searchable database will incur fees.
- Remind your child to use the Application ID feature when requesting a transcript. Explain the potential benefits of importing this ID into the online field, such as: 1) helps ensure a complete admissions submission and 2) a faster admission notification.
- Follow up with your child to make sure a transcript was requested for those postsecondary institutions, scholarship funds or employers that require one.
- Remind your child to keep an eye out for the e-mail notifications that he/she will receive. These notifications provide information to your child each step of the way.
- Make sure your child can locate the Transcript ID Number on the Order Status screen. This number is to be used for any inquires pertaining to that transcript request.

## **Contact Information**

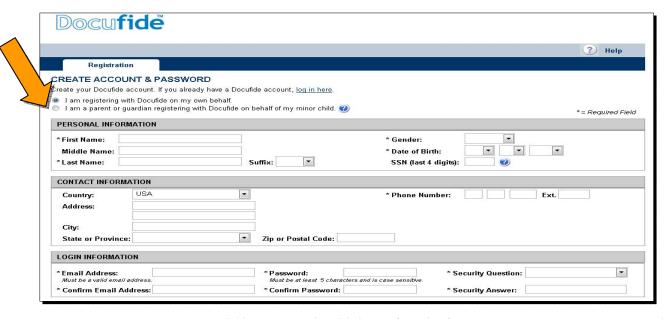
If you have questions about the approval of your child's transcript request, contact the school. If you have questions about the receipt of a transcript sent by mail, contact the college or destination it was sent to. For all other questions, please visit Docufide's <u>customer support page</u>.

# Requesting a Transcript

<u>Step 1:</u> Go to the school's Web site, find the Michigan e-Transcript link, and click on it. Look for the link on the homepage, guidance counseling page, and perhaps the alumni page.



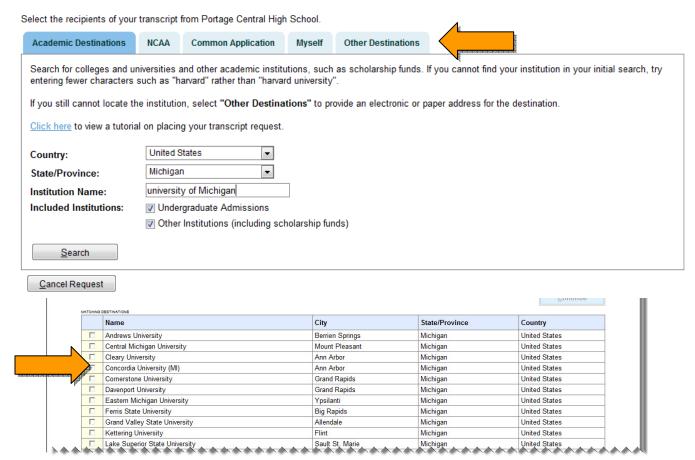
<u>Step 2:</u> A simple five-minute registration must be completed by the parent/guardian of a minor child to set up an account, and only has to be completed one time. This one-time registration gathers basic student information to enable Docufide to match a student's or alumni's request with the transcript data Docufide receives from the school. Through this account, students can track the transcript requests they have made throughout their educational career.



<u>Step 3:</u> Click on the Academic Destinations tab to search Docufide's database all colleges and universities nationwide. Multiple destinations can be searched and selected. Searches can be performed on the name of the destination, the city, state, and/or country. Simply click on the box next to the desired destination to select that destination as a recipient of the transcript.

The National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), Common Application, Student's Address and Other Destinations are also eligible recipients of the transcript. To send the transcript to one of these destinations, select the appropriate tab and then check the box to select it as a destination.

# **Select Destinations**



If a desired Other Destination is not listed in Docufide's database, such as the student's address, an employer or insurance company, an online form will appear. Fill out the required fields so Docufide can deliver the transcript. The form on the right must also be **signed and faxed** back to Docufide, to remain compliant with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

Add New Destination	Docu <b>fide</b> Print This Page			
At the end of your order, you will need to print and fax a Docufide transcript request form only deliver your transcript to this destination once this form with your signature is on file	Docufide Transcript Request Form  Federal regulations require your signature to be on file before we can process this transcript request as it includes one or more destinations not in our database of authorized destinations.			
Enter the information for the destination where you would like to send your transcript.	Please complete the following 3 steps; then we can to deliver your transcript(s).  Step 1. Print this form			
Destination Name: ABC Scholarship Fund	Step 1. Print this form If you can not print this form at this time, please return to Docufide soon, log in to your Secure Transcript account, and go to "Order Status" to access and print this form.			
Contact Name: Scholarship Fund ▼ *  Contact Name:	Step 2. Sign your name inside the signature box I authorize Docufide as the authorized representative for Docufide Demo College, to release my complete academic transcript to the destinations indicated below.			
Phone Number:  555-555-5555	I certify under penalty of law that I am the individual identified in this transcript request (or a parent or guardian authorized to make this request).			
Select a delivery method. Selecting one of hte following methods is required.  © Electronic Download \$3.00  Docufide will arrange for your transcript to be securely downloaded at the destination you have chose				
Email Address: ismith@abcscholarship.org  Confirm Email Address: ismith@abcsholarship.org	Jack A. Demoski			
Mail Delivery \$5.00     Docufide will send your transcript on sepcial paper via US Mail to the destination you chose.	Step 3. Fax this form to Docufide at (818) 889-1904 Docufide will send you email confirmation and process your request when we receive your fax.			
Attn: Address: City: State: Zip:  Send overnight (\$25.50 fee for overnight delivery)	Student Information  Student name: Jack Demoski Date of Birth: (22 '19' 1988 Class Of: 2008  Gender: M  Transcript Destinations  Following are those destinations selected from outside on this form has been received.  Destination Name  Transcript ID  ABC Engineering  ABC Engineering  School name: Docutide Demo College Class Of: 2008  Student ID: 8678309  Student ID: 8678309  Student ID: 8678309  Student ID: 8678309  Student ID: 878309  Student			
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<u>Step 4:</u> After all the desired destinations have been selected, review the destinations and confirm that the selections are correct:

- The first column will display the selected destinations, with an option to remove that destination from the
  order. Below the name will be the delivery method (electronic download for registered recipients and US
  mail for non-registered recipients when the transcript must be printed and mailed by Docufide). Express
  delivery (for mailed transcripts) is available.
- The second column will display the transcript type. The grading period that the transcript is to reflect is an available option.
- The third column provides the opportunity to import the college application tracking number. Colleges and universities highly recommend importing the application tracking number if known.
- The last column will display the fees, if any.

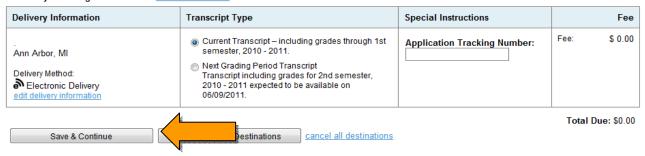
### **Review Destinations**

Review the destinations you selected to send your Portage Central High School Transcript. Select "edit delivery information" to modify the delivery information for a destination, or "remove destination" to delete a destination from the list.

### Grand Valley State University remove destination

Delivery Information	Transcript Type	Special Instructions		Fee
Office of Undergraduate Admissions Allendale, MI  Delivery Method: Electronic Delivery edit delivery information	Current Transcript – including grades through 1st semester, 2010 - 2011.      Next Grading Period Transcript Transcript including grades for 2nd semester, 2010 - 2011 expected to be available on 06/09/2011.	Application Tracking Number:	Fee:	\$ 0.00

### University of Michigan - Ann Arbor remove destination



<u>Step 5:</u> Once confirming that the destinations are correct, review and accept the online agreement. This agreement keeps Docufide FERPA compliant.

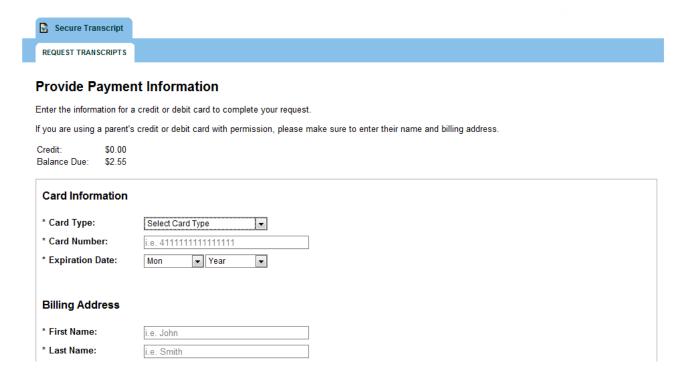
# **Confirm User Agreement**

Please read and accept this user agreement

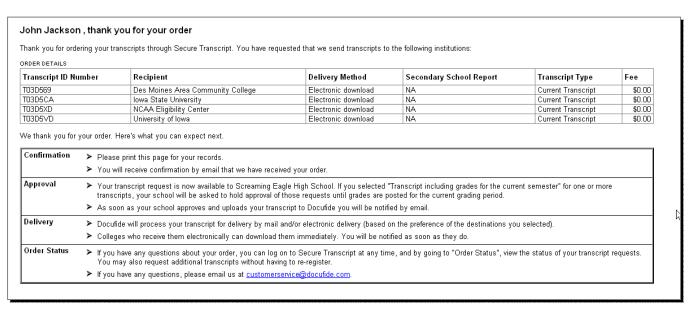
### Print agreement

# Docufide, Inc. ("Docufide") is pleased to offer you its Secure Transcript Service (the "Service") to deliver your academic transcripts to the colleges, universities, and other destinations of your choice on the following terms and conditions. By selecting the "Accept Agreement" button below, you agree to the following terms and conditions. If you do not agree with these terms and conditions, you may not use the Service. The Service operates in compliance with the Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act ("FERPA") (20 U.S.C. Section 1232(g)). If you are under the age of eighteen (18) years, your parent must agree to and submit the registration form for the Service. Your use of the Docufide Service is also subject to the terms and conditions contained in the Terms of Use, which govern the use of this Web site, and which Docufide may modify from time to time. It is important that you understand and are comfortable with the level of the privacy accorded your transcripts and other personal information you provide. Please review our Privacy Policy, which Docufide may update from time to time, which explains what measures we take to protect your personal information and what information may be used. 1. PERMISSION. Upon your successful registration with Docufide, you will be issued a user name and a user-selected password. Your must use your user name and password combination in all of your communications with Docufide, and you are responsible for all actions taken for the use of your user name and password combination. By using the Service you hereby grant Docufide the following rights: A) to obtain your academic transcripts from your academic institution; B) to send your service and password combination. Accept Agreement

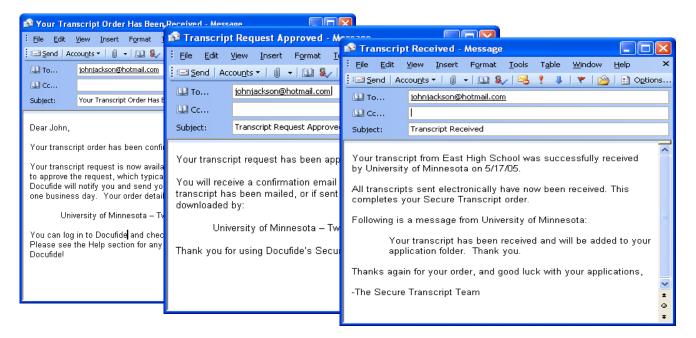
Step 6: Any payments are processed online. If no fees are incurred, the payment step is automatically skipped.



Upon completion of the transcript request a confirmation is provided.



Automated confirmation e-mails are sent when the request is received, approved by the school administrator and upon delivery.



This completes the transcript request process. For more detailed information on the request process including the steps performed by the administrator at the sending school and at the receiving destination to complete the transcript exchange, view the CEPI Web site at: <a href="http://www.michigan.gov/cepi/0,1607,7-113-54112---,00.html">http://www.michigan.gov/cepi/0,1607,7-113-54112---,00.html</a>.